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Friends,

Last year's Crepes du Jour fundraising dinner and the Huntsville Handmade Holiday offered enjoyable means to generate funds and provide arts service to our community. Both events were held jointly by Friends of the Wynne and the Walker County Historical Commission. Dinner was served at both The Wynne Home Arts Center and The Gibbs-Powell House and activities were offered the next day at both houses as well. The funds raised benefitted both The Wynne Home Arts Center and The Gibbs-Powell House (through Friends of the Wynne and the Walker County Historical Commission).

Wishing to build on this success, the committee with the assistance of Friends of the Wynne and Walker County Historical Commission will be offering both events again. We could use your help in ways both great and small.

Friday, November 4th the groups will be hosting A Holiday Fundraiser Dinner. Volunteers to assist with decorating and setting tables, serving dinner and washing dishes will be most welcome. Selling and purchasing tickets is another way you can help.

Saturday, November 5th from 12:00-4:00 crafts/arts demonstrations will be offered to the public and food and original arts/crafts will be offered for sale. Volunteers are sought to help set up the activities and sales starting at 8:00 Saturday morning.

A list of proposed activities for the Huntsville Handmade Holiday is attached.. Volunteers are needed to assist with these activities or to offer alternative demonstrations or workshops. Assistance is also needed to cook hotdogs and hamburgers and handle food sales.

Training sessions for volunteers for some of the attached activities will be offered at Wynne Home Oct. 10-15. Check the Wynne Home Fall Class Schedule and Best Bets for scheduling. A copy of that schedule is also attached, although additions may be offered, so watch Best Bets.

The Saturday activities will also permit artists and crafts people to offer their creations for sale. The expectation is that those items will be the creations of project volunteers. No specific role as a volunteer is specified to be eligible to place your items for sale. Twenty percent of all sales will be collected as a contribution to the project, profits of which benefit the two houses as stated above.

If you can play a part in either the Holiday Fundraiser Dinner or the Huntsville Handmade Holiday, please fill out and e-mail back the attached form(s) to let us know what area(s) interest you most or what alternative activity you would like to offer.

We are anticipating another fantastic community event highlighting the rich heritage of our cultural district. Thank you for playing a part.

Sincerely, Tamara

Holiday Fundraiser Dinner/Huntsville Handmade Holiday
Volunteer registration form
November 4th & 5th, 2011

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

I can help (check all that apply)

Sell tickets ____ I can sell _____ tickets.

By purchasing tickets ____ I need ____ tickets. Please send payment for tickets you are purchasing with this form, \$30/ticket or \$50/2 tickets.

Cook Thursday evening ____ Friday afternoon thru evening _____

Set up Tables and decorate Friday afternoon _____

Serve dinner Friday evening ____

Greet guests and monitor guest book Friday evening _____

Clean and wash dishes Friday evening ____

Set up tables and pop-up shelters Saturday morning ____

Set up sales Saturday morning _____

Greet guests and monitor guest book Saturday _____

Teach/demonstrate an activity Saturday ____ (What activity?) _____

Cook and serve Lunch Saturday _____

Assist with sales Saturday, arts/crafts and food _____

Take down tables and pop-up shelters Saturday at 4:00 _____

Clean-up activities and sales/food Saturday _____

I will be bringing items for sale _____ What items? _____

E-mail to TamaraChasteen@hotmail.com or snail mail to Huntsville Handmade Holiday c/o The Wynne Home Arts Center, 1428 11th St., Huntsville, TX 77340, (936) 291-5424, (936) 661-1779.

Magic Rope for bags and belts: Public keeps ropes made during event. Finished bags for sale

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Kumihimo: Public keeps one finished kumi project per person. Kits available for sale.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Suet cakes: Demonstration only, free project sheets for the Public, finished suet cakes for sale

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Cookies/Soup in a jar: Samples, free recipes for the Public, finished jars for sale. Fabrics and ribbons available to embellish jars for gift giving.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Dragon Boat woven ribbon ornaments: Public keeps ornaments made during the event. Free project instruction sheets. Finished ornaments and cardstock printed bases to make more ornaments at home available for sale.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Folded Star **Pot-Holders** & others: Demonstration mostly, free project sheets for the Public, finished pot-holders and kits available for sale. Public invited to assemble their purchased kits during the event.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Crochet projects: Demonstration and crochet lessons, free project sheets for the Public. Covered coat hangers and pot-holders.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Marbling for scrap booking and card making: Public keeps paper printed during the event. Marbled scarves for sale as well as tickets to pre-holiday marbling workshops.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Trivet Mosaics: Public keeps mosaics made during the event. Additional wooden frames to make more trivets available for sale.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Cinnamon Clay Ornaments: Demonstration and free project sheets. Painting finished ornaments, one per person. Additional ornaments available for sale, painted &/or unpainted.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Indian Bead Weaving: Public keeps projects made which could include book-markers, bracelets or head/hat bands. Free instruction sheets. Kits available for sale.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Screen Printed Stationery: Public keeps one card each. Free instruction sheets for making screens from recycled materials. Finished screens for sale.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Lattice Woven Paper: Public will keep bookmarks and stationery made using marbled papers. Free instruction sheet and pattern. Packets of finished stationery to sell.

Activity Director: _____ Location _____ Time _____

Alternate/additional activity you would like to teach _____

Please provide a short description of the activity. _____

What is the outcome of the activity for the public? _____ instruction sheet _____ finished product

Will you offer finished products of the activity for sale? _____ yes _____ no

Your name: _____

Your e-mail address: _____

Your physical address: _____

Your City/State/Zip: _____

Your phone: _____

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October 10-15, Open Studio, Huntsville Handmade Holiday activities training at the Wynne Home Arts Center.

- Oct. 10, Mon., 6:00-10:00, **Folded star potholders**—Participants will make potholders with minimum sewing using a pattern made of folded and overlapping circles of fabric. Note, we will be using hot irons. **Volunteer or \$10 fee.**
- Oct. 11, Tues., 4:00-10:00, **Kumihimo and Incredible rope**—Participants will make woven lanyards, bracelets and key chains from vibrantly colored cotton yarns as well as soft ropes for purse and tote bag handles from fine cotton yards. **Volunteer or \$10 fee.**
- Oct. 12, Wed., 6:00-10:00, **Dragon boats and cinnamon clay ornaments**—Participants will create ornaments that begin with an origami box that is then covered by weaving ribbon around the box. Participants will also make fragrant cinnamon clay ornaments and paint them with acrylic paints. **Volunteer or \$10 fee.**
- Oct. 13, Thurs., 6:00-10:00, **Screen printing and mosaic trivets**—Participants will print cards using silk screens made from reused plastic campaign signs and paper stencils. The trivets will be made with hardwood frames from manufacturing waste (known in the trade as drops) and mosaics of broken tile and pottery. **Volunteer or \$10 fee.**
- Oct. 14, Fri., 6:00-10:00, **Folded star pot-holders, kumihimo and incredible rope.** See descriptions above.
- Oct. 15, Sat., 10:00-2:00, **Dragon boats and mosaic trivets.** See descriptions above.

Open Studio is a workshop concept that encourages participants to come to each session whenever they can and to stay for as long as fits their schedules. No one is expected to stay for an entire session, although this is not discouraged. Participants should plan a time commitment of at least one hour for each session topic of interest.

Contact Tamara, TamaraChasteen@hotmail.com or (936) 661-1779 to reserve your space.